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I would like to see an investigation started that looked in to George Bush and John Ashcroft's dealings with Microsoft. As the Proposed Final Judgment was obviously written by an attorney for Microsoft, and not the DOJ, I feel it would be prudent to look in to the back room deals that made the settlement possible.

I believe there are major abuses of power, fraud, conflicts of interest, and other high crimes and misdemeanors that were committed in Microsoft's name. The real culprits, Bush and Ashcroft, should pay for their crimes. There is no way a reasonable person can look at how Ashcroft has handled this case since he took over and not see the glaring capitulation that the DOJ has handed Bill Gates.

Why surrender when you have won? Nine federal judges agree: Microsoft is an abusive monopoly and needs to be punished. Why, other than fraud or an abuse of power, would the DOJ give up like this?

"The best thing that happened to Microsoft in years was George Bush being elected president." THAT is not how JUSTICE is supposed to work in this country. The law, and the enforcement of the law, should be blind to who is sitting in the White House. The DOJ's actions in this matter have left a bad taste in my mouth and have brought into question the entire system of justice in this country.

Hoping that the real criminals behind this fiasco are brought to justice,

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